

Waganakising Odawa
Tribal Council
Appropriations and Finance Committee
Court Room
December 5, 2009
9:00 a.m

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m.

Roll Call:

Committee Members Present: Treasurer John Bott; Councilor Mel Kiogima

Committee Member Absent: Councilor Aaron Otto

Quorum established.

Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick; Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Staff Present: Chairperson Ken Harrington; Vice Chairperson Dexter McNamara; Interim CFO Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky; Gaming Board of Directors and Staff (Chairperson Carol McFall, Commissioner Sheran Patton, Commissioner Judy Pierznowski, Commissioner Fred Kiogima, and Administrative Assistant Cathy Portman)

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima, seconded by Treasurer Bott, to adopt the amended agenda for December 5, 2009.

Vote: 2 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent

Motion carries.

By consensus of the Committee members present, the minutes of the Regular Meeting and the Closed Session Meeting of November 7, 2009, were tabled until the next Regular Meeting.

Business, New

1. Gaming Board of Directors (GBOD)

The GBOD requested that the 'Finance' Committee recommend to Tribal Council that they approve their 2010 Budget at \$191,000, as had already been approved by the Odawa Casino Resort management. After discussion and by consensus of Committee members present, the Committee decided to recommend Tribal Council approve the GBOD 2010 Budget at the Fiscal Year 2009 level of \$101,305.00, with the recommendation that they return at a later date to request supplemental funding if needed.

10:25 a.m. Break.

10:27 a.m. Meeting resumes.

2. Health Department

With no staff present from the Health Department, and with no written requisition from the Health Department, no action taken.

3. Judicial Branch

With no staff present from the Judicial Branch, and with no written requisition from the Judicial Branch, no action taken.

4. Grant Update (Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick)

Attorney Budnick has been meeting with Councilor Otto researching the feasibility of upgrading the Tribal Court Room IT equipment to facilitate the live feed of Tribal Council meetings. Work is on-going and grants may be available to help in the funding of this project.

Business, Old

1. National City

10:28 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Kiogima, seconded by Treasurer Bott, to enter a Closed Session for legal purposes.

Vote: 2 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent

Motion carries.

(Note: See Closed Session Minutes for December 5, 2009.)

11:17 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Kiogima, seconded by Treasurer Bott, to return to Open Session.

Vote: 2 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent

Motion carries.

11:17 a.m. Break.

11:25 a.m. Meeting resumes.

2. Powwow Committee Budget

By consensus of Committee members present, to remain on the agenda and tabled until the Regular meeting in March of 2010.

No additional Action Items were considered at this time.

11:25 a.m. Public Comment opened. No comments received.

11:26 a.m. Public Comment closed.

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 9, 2010, from 9 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

(Note: The Gaming Regulatory Commission will be meeting with the Committee at this meeting.)

11:26 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Kiogima, seconded by Treasurer Bott, to adjourn.

Vote: 2 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent

Motion carries.